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First Curved Coins from the United States Mint Go On Sale March 27

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WASHINGTON — The United States Mint will open sales for products in the 2014 National Baseball Hall of Fame Commemorative Coin Program March 27 at noon Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

Orders will be accepted at http://catalog.usmint.gov and at 1–800–USA–MINT (872–6468), while hearing– and speech–impaired customers with TTY equipment may order at 1–888–321–MINT. All domestic orders will be assessed a shipping and handling fee of \$4.95 per order. There are no household order limits.

Available product options include a \$5 gold coin, a \$1 silver coin and a half-dollar clad coin. All options are available in proof and uncirculated qualities.

The proof \$5 gold coin (product code B31) and the uncirculated \$5 gold coin (product code B32) will be available at a price determined by the United States Mint's pricing strategy for precious metals numismatic products located at http://catalog.usmint.gov. The coins are being minted at the United States Mint's facility in West Point and are composed of 90 percent gold.

The proof \$1 silver coin (product code B33) is available at the introductory price of \$51.95 through April 28 at 5 p.m. EDT and \$56.95 thereafter. The uncirculated \$1 silver coin (product code B33) will be available at the introductory price of \$47.95 through April 28 at 5 p.m. EDT and \$52.95 thereafter. The coins are being minted at the United States Mint's facility in Philadelphia and are composed of 90 percent silver.

The proof half-dollar clad coin (product code B35) is available at the introductory price of \$19.95 through April 28 at 5 p.m. EDT and \$23.95 thereafter. The uncirculated half-dollar clad coin (product code B36) will be available at the introductory price of \$18.95 through April 28 at 5 p.m. EDT and \$22.95 thereafter. The proof half-dollar clad coin is being produced at the United States Mint's facility in San Francisco, and the uncirculated half-dollar clad coin is being minted at the United States Mint's facility in Denver. Both coins are composed of 92 percent copper.

Surcharges of \$35 for each \$5 gold coin sold, \$10 for each silver \$1 coin sold, and \$5 for each half-dollar clad coin sold are authorized to be paid to the National Baseball Hall of Fame, an independent not-for-profit educational institution, to help fund its operations.

"These coins commemorate important aspects of American history and culture," said Richard A. Peterson, United States Mint deputy director. "This is a great way to connect with America's pastime through this 2014 National Baseball Hall of Fame Commemorative Coin."

Since the modern commemorative coin program began in 1982, the United States Mint has raised more than \$501,000,000 in surcharges to help build new museums, maintain national monuments like the Vietnam War Memorial, preserve historical sites like George Washington's home, support various Olympic programs, and much more.

Public Law 112–152 authorizes the bureau to mint and issue up to 50,000 \$5 gold coins, 400,000 \$1 silver coins and 750,000 half-dollar clad coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame, which celebrates its 75th anniversary in 2014. The unique coins' reverses (tails sides) are convex to more closely resemble a baseball, and the obverses (heads sides) are concave with a design depicting a baseball glove. Customer demand will determine the ratio of proof to uncirculated coins minted within the authorized mintage limits.

About the United States Mint

The United States Mint was created by Congress in 1792 and became part of the Department of the Treasury in 1873. It is the Nation's sole manufacturer of legal tender coinage and is responsible for producing circulating coinage for the Nation to conduct its trade and commerce. The United States Mint also produces numismatic products, including proof, uncirculated, and commemorative coins; Congressional Gold Medals; and silver and gold bullion coins. The United States Mint's numismatic programs are self–sustaining and operate at no cost to the taxpayer.

Note: To ensure that all members of the public have fair and equal access to United States Mint products, orders placed prior to the official on–sale date and time of March 27, 2014, noon EST shall not be deemed accepted by the United States Mint and will not be honored. For more information, please review the United States Mint's Frequently Asked Questions, Answer ID #175.

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